

**SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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**Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

**Re: WT Docket No. 01-309  
HAC Digital Wireless Telephones  
Broadband PCS Station KNLG223 and WQBL704**

**Fourth Semi-Annual Report**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This report is filed pursuant to the requirements of Paragraph Nos. 89 – 91 of the Commission's *Report and Order (WT Docket No. 01-309)*, FCC 03-168, released August 14, 2003 ("R&O").

South Central Utah Telephone Association, Inc. (South Central), a rural area telephone cooperative, is a small, Tier III Commercial Mobile Radio Service licensee, as defined in the Commission's E-911 *Order to Stay*, FCC 02-210, released July 26, 2002. In this regard, South Central is the licensee of the referenced stations in the Broadband Personal Communications Service (PCS). South Central serves the St. George, Utah BTA on the PCS F-block spectrum (station KNLG223) and utilizes Nortel Networks' CDMA equipment for its PCS network. On October 5, 2004, South Central completed its acquisition of a partitioned portion of Qwest Wireless, LLC's E-Block PCS license for the Salt Lake City-Ogden, Utah BTA (station WQBL704). The partitioned area consists of Piute County, Utah and portions of Sevier and Wayne Counties, Utah.

As the Commission is well aware, in achieving compliance with the Hearing Aid Compatibility ("HAC") requirements of the *R&O*, South Central is very much at the mercy of the handset manufacturers to develop and market HAC-compliant digital wireless handsets. As a small, Tier III wireless carrier, South Central has no influence over the product development and distribution decisions of wireless handset manufacturers; and, accordingly, South Central must rely on the manufacturers to develop HAC-compliant digital wireless handsets for use on our system.

Given the foregoing, the information requested by the Commission follows:

**Item 1 -- Digital Wireless Phones Tested:** None. South Central is a small carrier that is not involved in the handset development or testing process. In this regard, we rely on testing performed by the handset manufacturers. However, our customers with hearing aids are able to test the HAC compliant handsets that we are currently offering at our retail outlets to determine their suitability.

**Item 2 -- Laboratory Used:** None. *See* response to Item 1.

**Item 3 -- Test Results For Each Phone Tested:** Not applicable. *See* response to Item 1.

**Item 4 -- Identification of Compliant Phone Models and Ratings According To ANSI C63.19:** We are currently marketing six CDMA handsets that meet the M3 rating in ANSI C63.19-2005 (which we understand is equivalent to the U3 rating in ANSI C63.19-2001). These are as follows:

Kyocera Model KX9  
Motorola Models 262, 265 and 710  
Nokia Models 6015i and 6255i

**Item 5 -- Report On The Status Of Product Labeling:** South Central is not involved in product labeling or the development of labeling standards. We have been advised by Motorola that all manuals and boxes shipped out of the Motorola distribution center after September 16, 2005 have HAC information on them. The rating is printed on the box under the FCC ID in the same font size. Motorola is adding stickers that say "Rated for Hearing Aids: M3" on the boxes until the supply is depleted, then will cut over to the pre-printed boxes with the HAC rating. Nokia advises that compliant models will include the "M3" text designation on the product box label.

**Item 6 -- Report on Outreach Efforts:** South Central has developed a hearing aid compatibility information sheet to assist hearing impaired customers in selecting current model phones and accessories most suitable to their needs and in selecting new HAC compliant phones as they become available. We will make sure that our sales and customer service personnel are knowledgeable in this area and understand how best they can help people who use a hearing aid.

**Item 7 -- Information Related To Retail Availability of Compliant Phones:** *See* Item 4.

**Item 8 -- Information Related To Incorporating Hearing Aid Compatibility Features Into Newer Models Of Digital Wireless Phones:** The incorporation of HAC features into newer models of digital wireless telephones will be determined and accomplished by the handset manufacturers.

**Item 9 -- Any Activities Related To ANSI 63.19 Or Other Standards Work Intended To Promote Compliance With The Requirements Of The Commission's Report and Order:** None at this time.

**Item 10 -- Total Numbers Of Compliant And Non-Compliant Phone Models Offered As Of The Date Of This Report:** South Central currently markets a total of 20 different models of CDMA handsets. Of these, six meet the M3 rating in ANSI C63.19-2005.

**Item 11 -- Any Ongoing Efforts For Interoperability Testing With Hearing Aid Devices:** None at this time.

Very truly yours,

**South Central Utah Telephone  
Association, Inc.**

By:

  
Brant Barton  
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: November 17, 2005

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